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Tem Rural District Council

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health.

For the Year Ending 31st. December 1939.

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A. Statistics and Social Conditions of the area.

Area(Acres) 69417

Regiser General's estimate of :-
(a) resident population, mid 1939, 10,270
(b) average population appropiate to the calculation of death rates.

Number of inhabitated houses 3,004

Rateable value. April 1st 1940 £ 35,733.

Sum representing a penny rate. £ 159 - 9 - 7

Natural &Social Conditions.

The population is comprised chiefly of farm workers with one Agricultural Engineering factory in the district.

B. General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

(I) Public Health Officers of the Local Authority.

Medical Officer of Health. Doctor. J. Dallewy.

Sanitary Inspector. Captain J. Lamb.
Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute.

The Sanitary Inspector also holds the appointment of Surveyor to the Council.

(II) The facilities mentioned in the report are still available.

C. Sanitary Circumstances for the area.

Water Supply

The Surveyor reports that the ~~stre~~ public water supplies , pumps and wells maintained by the council for the supplies to villages and small places were kept in good order.

Rivers and Streams

No action was taken with respect to the checking of any river or stream pollution.

Sewerage &Drainage.

A Septic Tank & Filter was installed at Loppington which is an improvement to the village drainage system.

Drainage & Sewerage Cont:-

Closet Accommodation

Privies and pail closets are in general use for the cottages, these are kept under review and defects are brought to the notice of owners and remedied.

Sanitary Inspection of the District

(a) Number of inspections of dwelling-houses including those in connection with infectious disease 400.

Slaughter Houses	30
Food Stores & Shops	35
Cow-sheds & Dairies	150
Factories & Workshops	76

Other inspections Stables etc:- 41.

(b) & c)

Number of informal notices served 130
Statutory Nil

Camping Sites

No sites have been used and no licences issued.

Shops & Offices

It has not been necess ary to take any action in respect of shops.

Eradication of Bugs.

No premises have been found to be infested and no action on this matter has been taken.

Schools

The sanitary condition was found to be satisfactory.

(d)-Housing

Repairs & Improvements were made to a number of dwellings occupied by members of the working classes through informal notices served by the Sanitary Inspector.

The council considered the condition of two houses and decided to defer further consideration until further new houses were available.

The council's new housing scheme of Thirty Six houses were completed and occupied by overcrowded families and families from condemned houses.

The demolition of these condemned houses has been deferred for the time being.

The council entered into negociations for the purchase of land for the purpose of further housing schemes, but the negociations were stopped pending the war period.

Evacuation Scheme

Number of persons for which accommodation was found under the evacuation scheme is as follows:-

Unacompanied school children	827
Other classes	355
Total	1182

Inspection & Supervision Of Food.

(a)

Dairies & Cowsheds were inspected periodically and were found in a cleanly state generally,
A number of cowsheds were improved and licences were issued by the County Council

Number of premises registered	643
" " Inspections	152
" " Notices served	4

(b) Meat and other foods

The butchers shops, bakehouses, slaughterhouses etc: were inspected and found to be in a cleanly state. No unsound food was exposed for sale and no diseased meat was found during inspections of slaughterhouses

(c) Adulteration

No action was taken as the Acts &Regulations are administered by the County Council.

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of Health.